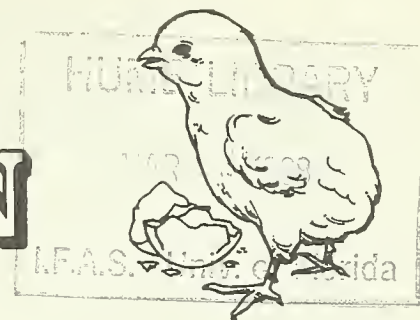


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# HATCHERY PRODUCTION



March 1966



April 14, 1966

## Chick Production

Chick production by hatcheries during March 1966 was 302.2 million, 9 percent above the 278.0 million in March 1965, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The hatch of broiler-type chicks totaled 235.8 million, up 8 percent from March 1965 and the largest of record for the month. During the first quarter of 1966, there were 660.0 million broiler chicks produced--10 percent more than the same period last year. Broiler-type eggs in incubators April 1 were up 9 percent from April 1, 1965.

There were 66.4 million egg-type chicks hatched in March--up 11 percent from March 1965. All regions reported increases from a year earlier as follows: 17 percent in the South Central; 16 percent in the South Atlantic; 10 percent in the West North Central and West; 9 percent in the East North Central; and 7 percent in the North Atlantic. During the first quarter of 1966, there were 145.0 million egg-type chicks hatched--13 percent above the same quarter in 1965. The number of egg-type eggs in incubators on April 1 was up 12 percent from April last year.

## Poult Production

The number of poults hatched in the Nation during March 1966 totaled 21,085,000 compared with 19,380,000 for March 1965, an increase of 9 percent. The hatch of heavy breed poults during March was 20,013,000, also up 9 percent from March 1965. Heavy white breed poults hatched at 11,352,000 was up 35 percent, but other heavy breeds hatched at 8,661,000 was down 12 percent. Light breed poults hatched totaled 1,072,000, down 2 percent from March 1965. Accumulative hatch, January through March 1966, of all turkey poults was 38,113,000, 19 percent more than the corresponding period of last year. The number of heavy breed eggs in incubators on April 1, 1966 was up 6 percent from April 1, 1965, and number of light breed eggs on April 1, 1966 was up 8 percent from a year earlier. Eggs in incubator of heavy white breeds was up 26 percent while for other heavy breeds was down 14 percent.

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Broiler and egg-type chicks hatched by commercial  
hatcheries, United States

Month and year	Number chicks hatched		
	Broiler type	Egg type	Total
	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>
March 1965	218,284	59,742	278,026
February 1966	205,999	41,701	247,700
March 1966	235,834	66,411	302,245
Jan.-Mar. 1965	600,190	127,877	728,067
Jan.-Mar. 1966	659,989	145,016	805,005
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Mar. 1966 as percent of Mar. 1965	108	111	109
Jan.-Mar. 1966 as percent of Jan.- Mar. 1965	110	113	111

Chicken eggs in incubators April 1, 1966

Geographic division	April 1, 1966 as a percent of April 1, 1965		
	Broiler-type	Egg-type	Total eggs
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
North Atlantic	101	107	104
East North Central	107	109	109
West North Central	91	115	111
South Atlantic	111	113	111
South Central	109	103	109
West	97	121	107
48 States	109	112	109
United States <sup>1/</sup>	109	112	109

<sup>1/</sup> Includes Hawaii.

Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries, United States

Month and year	Number poults hatched 1/				
	Heavy breeds			Light	Total
	White	Other	Total	breeds	breeds
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
March 1965	8,412	9,870	18,282	1,098	19,380
February 1966	6,299	4,046	10,345	818	11,163
March 1966	11,352	8,661	20,013	1,072	21,085
January-March 1965	14,298	14,976	29,274	2,658	31,932
January-March 1966	21,260	13,857	35,117	2,996	38,113
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
March 1966 as per- cent of March 1965	135	88	109	98	109
January-March 1966 as percent of January- March 1965	149	93	120	113	119

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic division	Heavy breeds 1/						Light breeds 1/	
	White		Other		Total			
	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Poults hatched during March								
North Atlantic	68	111	76	182	144	293	7	29
East North Central	1,470	1,551	613	571	2,083	2,122	111	78
West North Central	3,267	4,334	4,110	3,239	7,377	7,573	236	229
South Atlantic	1,028	1,155	527	440	1,555	1,595	570	567
South Central	999	1,735	1,429	909	2,428	2,644	54	52
West	1,580	2,466	3,115	3,320	4,695	5,786	120	117
United States	8,412	11,352	9,870	8,661	18,282	20,013	1,098	1,072
Turkey eggs in incubators April 1	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
North Atlantic	311	235	323	412	634	647	44	101
East North Central	2,628	3,027	1,438	1,031	4,066	4,058	310	229
West North Central	5,455	7,214	5,892	4,793	11,347	12,007	375	328
South Atlantic	2,448	2,175	925	749	3,373	2,924	987	1,084
South Central	1,721	2,927	2,640	1,603	4,361	4,530	89	140
West	2,824	3,867	5,552	5,896	8,376	9,763	93	160
United States	15,387	19,445	16,770	14,484	32,157	33,929	1,898	2,042
April 1, 1966 as percent of April 1, 1965 U.S.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
	126		86		106		108	

1/ Heavy white breeds include heavy white-feathered breeds, such as Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, and crosses with light white breeds. All other heavy breeds are reported under "other." Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, Royal Palm and wild turkeys.



Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Broiler-type				Egg-type	
	March		Jan. through Mar.		March	
	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	6,130	6,574	17,490	18,316	568	565
N. H.	582	610	1,677	1,736	321	260
Vt.	1	1	1	1	24	12
Mass. & R.I. 1/	847	907	2,215	2,550	1,095	1,068
Conn.	1,680	1,317	4,506	3,774	859	724
N. Y.	65	70	140	235	1,730	2,200
N. J.	190	145	532	367	740	950
Pa.	4,651	4,430	13,486	12,905	3,539	3,691
N. A.	14,146	14,054	40,047	39,884	8,876	9,470
Ohio	650	700	1,780	1,700	2,620	3,200
Ind.	2,439	2,675	6,088	7,367	2,568	2,697
Ill.	97	99	224	193	2,942	2,799
Mich.	400	420	1,160	1,220	1,210	1,500
Wis.	995	1,340	2,660	3,470	992	1,100
E. N. C.	4,581	5,234	11,912	13,950	10,332	11,296
Minn.	742	786	2,081	2,053	3,350	4,340
Iowa	240	210	460	375	4,660	4,200
Mo.	2,979	2,463	9,291	7,129	2,197	2,386
N. Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	125	196
S. Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	1,280	1,390
Nebr.	288	375	411	535	1,841	2,379
Kans.	145	90	184	152	1,172	1,200
W. N. C.	2/4,425	2/4,042	2/12,459	2/10,373	14,625	16,091
Del.	9,393	9,097	26,305	26,073	3/	3/
Md.	13,200	15,723	36,843	44,771	3/	3/
Va.	5,276	5,440	15,105	15,409	834	838
W. Va.	515	518	1,465	1,556	3/	3/
N. C.	22,771	23,272	61,917	65,819	1,208	1,049
S. C.	1,354	1,380	3,779	4,075	860	1,008
Ga.	39,300	44,592	106,558	124,213	2,553	3,538
Fla.	1,619	1,706	3,981	4,610	2,366	2,653
S. A.	93,428	101,728	255,953	286,526	3/8,020	3/9,292
Ky.	214	280	551	705	550	504
Tenn.	4,038	3,845	10,709	11,080	779	870
Ala.	26,812	30,029	72,314	83,095	1,409	1,823
Miss.	14,700	16,453	40,481	45,022	1,649	1,508
Ark.	29,965	32,091	84,465	91,659	1,313	1,809
La.	2,627	3,457	7,603	9,616	402	444
Okla.	477	382	1,377	963	510	550
Texas	13,586	13,030	35,992	36,630	3,112	3,821
S. C.	92,419	99,567	253,492	278,770	9,724	11,329
Idaho	365	487	1,090	1,210	201	177
Colo.	45	60	84	87	279	299
Utah	222	300	550	814	282	232
Wash.	1,609	2,301	5,368	5,962	971	1,192
Oreg.	1,400	1,215	3,294	3,666	272	233
Calif.	5,498	6,649	15,556	18,316	5,667	6,197
West.	4/9,174	4/11,079	4/26,017	4/30,171	4/8,079	4/8,859
48 States	218,173	235,704	599,880	659,674	59,656	66,337
Hawaii	111	130	310	315	86	74
U. S.	218,284	235,834	600,190	659,989	59,742	66,411

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Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Egg-type		Total				
	Jan. through Mar.		March				
	1965	1966	Average 1960-64	1965	1966	1965	1966
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	1,341	1,512	6,109	6,698	7,139	18,831	19,828
N.H.	702	689	1,442	903	870	2,379	2,425
Vt.	86	78	61	25	13	87	79
Mass. & R.I. 1/	2,577	2,743	2,514	1,942	1,975	4,792	5,293
Conn.	1,873	1,633	3,361	2,539	2,041	6,379	5,407
N.Y.	4,520	5,750	2,371	1,795	2,270	4,660	5,985
N.J.	1,565	2,080	2,460	930	1,095	2,097	2,447
Pa.	7,562	8,134	9,118	8,190	8,121	21,048	21,039
N.A.	20,226	22,619	27,436	23,022	23,524	60,273	62,503
Ohio	5,630	7,000	4,794	3,270	3,900	7,410	8,700
Ind.	5,945	5,885	8,518	5,007	5,372	12,033	13,252
Ill.	5,278	5,280	4,769	3,039	2,898	5,502	5,473
Mich.	2,740	3,300	2,286	1,610	1,920	3,900	4,520
Wis.	1,993	2,200	3,137	1,987	2,440	4,653	5,670
E.N.C.	21,586	23,665	23,503	14,913	16,530	33,498	37,615
Minn.	5,077	5,856	6,416	4,092	5,126	7,158	7,909
Iowa	6,420	7,620	7,310	4,900	4,410	6,880	7,995
Mo.	3,136	3,710	9,027	5,176	4,849	12,427	10,839
N.Dak.	126	225	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
S.Dak.	1,745	2,050	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Nebr.	2,623	3,267	3,285	2,129	2,754	3,034	3,802
Kans.	2,065	2,180	2,131	1,317	1,290	2,249	2,332
W.N.C.	21,192	24,908	2/ 30,699	2/ 19,050	2/ 20,133	2/ 33,651	2/ 35,281
Del.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
Md.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
Va.	1,798	1,368	7,641	6,110	6,278	16,903	17,377
W.Va.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
N.C.	2,730	2,317	20,218	23,979	24,321	64,647	68,136
S.C.	2,091	2,481	2,875	2,214	2,388	5,870	6,556
Ga.	6,757	8,828	38,628	41,853	48,130	113,315	133,041
Fla.	5,842	6,911	3,447	3,985	4,359	9,823	11,521
S.A.	3/ 19,553	3/ 22,901	3/ 93,370	3/ 101,448	3/ 111,020	3/ 275,506	3/ 309,427
Ky.	1,152	1,180	1,350	764	784	1,703	1,885
Tenn.	1,504	2,241	5,011	4,817	4,715	12,213	13,321
Ala.	4,201	4,258	21,587	28,221	31,852	76,515	87,353
Miss.	4,119	4,362	14,378	16,349	17,961	44,600	49,384
Ark.	3,341	4,626	21,878	31,278	33,900	87,806	96,285
La.	778	872	2,663	3,029	3,901	8,381	10,488
Okla.	1,072	1,210	1,673	987	932	2,449	2,173
Texas	7,186	8,175	16,109	16,698	16,851	43,178	44,805
S.C.	23,353	26,924	84,649	102,143	110,896	276,845	305,694
Idaho	359	351	765	566	664	1,449	1,561
Colo.	611	635	470	324	359	695	722
Utah	523	575	579	504	532	1,073	1,389
Wash.	2,808	2,929	2,942	2,580	3,493	8,176	8,891
Oreg.	698	662	1,891	1,672	1,448	3,992	4,328
Calif.	16,023	17,611	12,301	11,165	12,846	31,579	35,927
West.	4/ 21,719	4/ 23,855	4/ 19,523	4/ 17,253	4/ 19,938	4/ 47,736	4/ 54,026
48 States	127,629	144,872	279,180	277,829	302,041	727,509	804,546
Hawaii	248	144	220	197	204	558	459
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Foults hatched by months, 1965

Month	Heavy breeds		Light breeds	Total
	White	Other		
	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>
January	1,907	1,284	779	3,970
February	3,979	3,822	781	8,582
March	8,412	9,870	1,098	19,380
April	9,946	10,902	1,318	22,166
May	10,326	10,923	1,651	22,900
June	8,168	7,951	1,703	17,822
July	4,826	3,341	1,846	10,013
August	1,915	493	1,164	3,572
September	912	68	738	1,718
October	644	180	880	1,704
November	1,008	246	744	1,998
December	1,666	501	886	3,053
Total	53,709	49,581	13,588	116,878



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